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SU ECT: TANZANIAN AND ZAMBIAN ROLES AT COLOMBO
NON-ALIGNED CONFERENCE

1. YOU SHOULD INCLUDE IN YOUR DISCUSSIONS IN
LUSAKA AN EXPRESSION OF OUR DISMAY AT ZAMBIAN
COSPONSORSHIP OF PRO-NORTH KOREAN RESOLUTION
SUBMITTED TO UN AUGUST 16 AND NOW COSPONSORED BY 14
COMMUNIST AND 16 NON-ALIGNED STATES. YOU MAY WISH
TO NOTE THAT NON-ALIGNED GROUP OF 16 IN WHICH
ZAMBIA FINDS ITSELF IS AMONG MOST STRIDENTLY

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ANTI-AMERICAN INCLUDING CONGO, IRAQ, MADAGASCAR,

MALI, SOMALIA, TOGO, ALGERIA, LIBYA, BURUNDI
AND THE THREE GUINEAS. PRO-NORTH KOREAN RESOLUTION
IS BASED ON AND TAKES NOTE OF STRIDENT ANTI-U.S.
NORTH KOREAN STATEMENT OF AUGUST 5 ACCUSING U.S.
OF PREPARING FOR WAR IN KOREA.

IN LIGHT OF UNPROVOKED ASSAULT ON AND MURDER OF
TWO OFFICERS OF THE UN COMMAND AT PANMUNJOM,
SUPPORT OF THIS PARTISAN NORTH KOREAN RESOLUTION
CAN ONLY INCREASE NORTH KOREA'S INTRANSIGENCE.
IT WILL NOT CONTRIBUTE TO A REDUCTION OF TENSION
IN THE PENINSULA.

2. IN ANY EXPRESSION TO KAUNDA OF OUR DISAPPOINTMENT
WITH ZAMBIAN LACK OF COMMENT AT COLOMBO ON ANTI-U.S.
RESOLUTION ON KOREA AND RECOMMENDATION IN DECLARATION
THAT UNGA DEAL WITH PUERTO RICO AS QUOTE COLONIAL
UNQUOTE ISSUE, YOU MAY RECALL MY LETTER TO HIM ON
THESE TWO ISSUES. WITH OTHER OFFICIALS, YOU SHOULD
EXPRESS OUR VIEWS FIRMLY WITHOUT DIRECT REFERENCE
TO LETTER.

3. IN DAR, YOU SHOULD ALSO EMPHASIZE NATURE AND SPONSOR-
SHIP OF NORTH KOREAN RESOLUTION AS IN PARA 1 ABOVE IN
LIGHT OF REPORT RECEIVED AUGUST 23 OF TANZANIAN COSPONSOR-
SHIP.

4. WHILE WE HAVE NO RECORD THAT TANZANIANS AT COLOMBO
SUPPORTED ANTI-U.S. DRAFTS ON KOREA AND PUERTO RICO,
CHAIRMANSHIP OF DRAFTING COMMITTEE OF FOREIGN MINISTER
LEVEL POLITICAL COMMITTEE WAS IN TANZANIAN HANDS.
(APPARENTLY SALIM AND KAUNDA ALTERNATED IN THIS ROLE.)
YOU SHOULD NOTE WITH REGRET THAT THIS CHAIRMANSHIP WAS
ON CERTAIN KEY OCCASIONS UTILIZED, BASED ON REPORTS
REACHING US, TO SHUT OFF OBJECTIONS TO EXTREME ANTI-U.S.
LANGUAGE WITH RESULT THAT HIGHLY OBJECTIONABLE LANGUAGE
ON KOREAN ISSUE TO US WAS SENT ON FOR SUMMIT ENDORSEMENT
DESPITE MANY STATEMENTS OF RESERVATION. RECORD OF DIS-
CUSSION OF LANGUAGE ON PUERTO RICO SHOWS LESS EVIDENCE
OF THIS MANIPULATION. HOWEVER, DESPITE SOME AMELIORATION
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OF CUBAN LANGUAGE FINAL RESULT IN DECLARATION ADVOCATED
INTERFERENCE IN U.S. DOMESTIC AFFAIRS. IT IS DIFFICULT
TO OBTAIN SUPPORT IN U.S. FOR AFRICAN OBJECTIVES WHEN
WE ARE SO VIOLENTLY OPPOSED IN ALL INTERNATIONAL FORUMS.

5. FOLLOWING STATEMENT VOLUNTEERED BY PRESS SPOKESMAN,
AUGUST 25:

QUOTE: THE COLOMBO NON-ALIGNED SUMMIT MEETING ADDRESSED A NUMBER OF CURRENT INTERNATIONAL ISSUES TO WHICH WE WILL BE GIVING CAREFUL ATTENTION IN THE MONTHS AHEAD. I WOULD LIKE, HOWEVER, TO RESTRICT MY COMMENTS NOW ONLY TO TWO ISSUES IN WHICH THE UNITED STATES IS DIRECTLY INVOLVED AND WHICH ARE BEFORE THE UNITED NATIONS.

THE CONFERENCE ADDRESSED THE ISSUE OF KOREA, WHICH FOR REASONS OF BOTH HISTORICAL INVOLVEMENT AND RECENT EVENTS IS OF DEEP CONCERN TO THE UNITED STATES, IN WORDS WHICH WERE SO TENDENTIOUS AND ONE-SIDED AS TO BE UNACCEPTABLE TO A SUBSTANTIAL NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS AT COLOMBO WHO ENTERED WRITTEN OR ORAL RESERVATIONS. WE FIND THE ENDORSEMENT OF NORTH KOREA'S COMPLETELY UNFOUNDED CHARGES AGAINST THE UNITED STATES PARTICULARLY UNSEEMLY, COMING AS IT DID IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE BRUTAL MURDER OF TWO US OFFICERS OF THE UN COMMAND IN THE JOINT SECURITY AREA OF THE DEMILITARIZED ZONE IN KOREA BY NORTH KOREAN ARMY PERSONNEL. WE DO NOT BELIEVE THAT ANY COUNTRY WHICH SUPPORTS THE HIGHLY PARTISAN LANGUAGE ON KOREA CONTAINED IN THE DECLARATION AND EVEN MORE SO IN THE SEPARATE RESOLUTION ON KOREA CAN BE CONSIDERED NON-ALIGNED ON THIS ISSUE.

WITH REGARD TO PUERTO RICO, THE CONFERENCE CALLED FOR DISCUSSION OF THIS MATTER BY THE UNITED NATIONS AS IF IT WERE A COLONIAL ISSUE. WE CONSIDER ANY SUCH DECLARATION AS INTERFERENCE IN US DOMESTIC AFFAIRS. SINCE THE RECOGNITION IN 1953 BY THE UN OF PUERTO RICO'S ACT OF SELF-DETERMINATION, THERE ARE NO LEGAL GROUNDS FOR DISCUSSION OR ACTION WITH RESPECT TO THIS ISSUE BY ANY INTERNATIONAL BODY. AND WE WILL
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IGNORE ANY ACTION TAKEN BY AN INTERNATIONAL BODY ON THIS ISSUE. UNQUOTE.

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